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Connecting Community Resources

Jan - March 2021



Happy New Year

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Village Hall Hours

Tuesdays and Wednesdays-8:30-5* *Subject to change

MEETINGS

Meetings monthly, or as noted. Currently held virtually. Meetings may be rescheduled. Sign up for electronic notifications on Village website to stay informed.

Please send any correspondence regarding an agenda item to CSchauer@waterfordwi.org by 4pm the day of the meeting.

Community Development Authority:

1st Monday as needed 6 P.M.

Finance Committee:

2nd Monday or as needed 5 P.M.

Village Board:

2nd Monday (4th as needed) 6:00 P.M.

Public Works & Utilities Committee:

DPW Building 3rd Monday 4 P.M.

Personnel Committee:

3rd Monday as needed 5:00 P.M.

Library Board of Trustees: Library History Room; 2nd Tuesday 4:30 P.M

Fire & Police Commission:

2nd Tuesday or as needed 5 P.M.

Heritage District Design Committee:

3rd Wednesday as needed 4 P.M.

Plan Commission:

3rd Wednesday 6 P.M.

Village Board of Trustees

Don Houston—President **Bob Nash** Patrick Goldammer Tamara Pollnow Troy McReynolds Adam Jaskie Andrew Ewert

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MAIN # 262-534-3980

◆ Clerk—Rachel Ladewig: 534-1843; RLadewig@waterfordwi.org Voting/Elections, licenses, ordinance questions.

Deputy Clerk—Jody Beer: 534-1841; JBeer@waterfordwi.org

Voting/Elections, licenses, park rentals.

- Treasurer—Michelle Vandehey: 534-1844; MVandehey@waterfordwi.org Finances, budget, taxes
- **Deputy Treasurer** Danielle Brown; 534-1849; DBrown@waterfordwi.org Billing, accounts payable, taxes
- Administrative Clerk—Alysa Robbins; 534-1852; ARobbins@waterfordwi.org Payments, zoning, general information
 - Court Clerk Kathy Lindbloom; 534-1853, KLindbloom@waterfordwi.org All court related questions/payments
 - Utility Clerk—Jennifer Pankowski; 534-2760; JPankowski@waterfordwi.org Utility billing, water and sewer questions
- Public Information Officer—Colleen Schauer; 534-1851; CSchauer@waterfordwi.org General information, meetings, PR, Records Request
- ♦ Village Administrator—Zeke Jackson; 534-7912; ZJackson@waterfordwi.org Zoning, development, legal
- Building Inspector Martin Montoya; 534-1850; MMontoya@safebuilt.com Permits, inspections

Other Departments

- Department of Public Works—534-4069
- Village of Waterford Fire Department—534-7019
 - Library—534-3988
 - Police (non-emergency) 534-2119





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Coming Together

It's hard to believe that a new year is already upon us, especially after a year like 2020 that was unusual for all of us. Despite the struggles that we faced due to the Coronavirus pandemic, we saw our Village come together in unprecedented



ways. The community came together to submit entries to HGTV for their



Home Town Takeover, where residents and businesses alike showcased why they loved to call Waterford home. In the summer we celebrated the end of the long 20/83 road construction project with the Orange Barrel Bash and brought new life to Main Street with our

Community Garden project. Our residents came out to show our restaurants overwhelming support by participating in their carry-out and curb-side pick up options. Throughout the year the Village welcomed new



development and new businesses to the Village such as Waterford Stillhouse, Main Street Mercantile, and Dairy Queen. With the groundbreaking of the

Mercury Business Park, the Village has more exciting development to come in 2021. Thank you to everyone that has supported our small businesses during this time, and we look forward to the continued support in the coming year.

Happy New Year!

Village President—Don Houston



If you would like to have your opinion heard regarding Village affairs, please email CSchauer@waterfordwi.org. Appointments can be made to see the Village Board and Village Administrator.

Department of Public Works

2021 January - March Recycling Schedule

| January 2021 | | | | | | |
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Shaded - residential recycle pickup west of Jefferson Street

| February 2021 | | | | | | | |
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Non-shaded - residential recycle pickup east of Jefferson Street

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Winter Reminders from DPW

- Snow is not to be blown, plowed or shoveled into the street. The Village can issue a citation for this act. Throw your snow to the side of the driveway or into your yard, not into the street.
- Dead Christmas trees should be stood up in the snow bank next to the street. If the tree is laid down, it freezes to the ground. If there is no snow, it is OK to lay them on the ground. Make sure all ornaments, wires, candy canes, nails and screws are removed. The trees will be recycled into mulch.
- All sidewalks must be cleared of snow and ice within 24 hours of a storm ending. If they are not, the Village will clear the sidewalk and you will be charged a removal, salt application and clerical fee. If it is not paid, it will be assessed onto your property tax bill. It is much cheaper to hire a local student entrepreneur to keep your sidewalk clean.
- If snow is forecast the night before or on garbage day, please keep your bins off the
 street and place in your driveway. Plow drivers do not pick up bins if they fall over.
 If you park on the street, try not to stay in the same spot if it still has snow, and be
 advised of the alternate side parking rules. Plow drivers want to clear the street but
 cannot if your car is left in the same spot.

<u>Large Item Day - April 10 & September 11</u>

Village residents can bring beds, couches, toilets, desks, bikes, swing sets, plastic cars, chairs, shelves, cabinets, coffee tables, scrap wood, hot tubs(if cut up), canoes, guitar cases and any other large physical item that is not hazardous or a liquid.

Please note

Computers, TVs, tires and electronics are NOT accepted

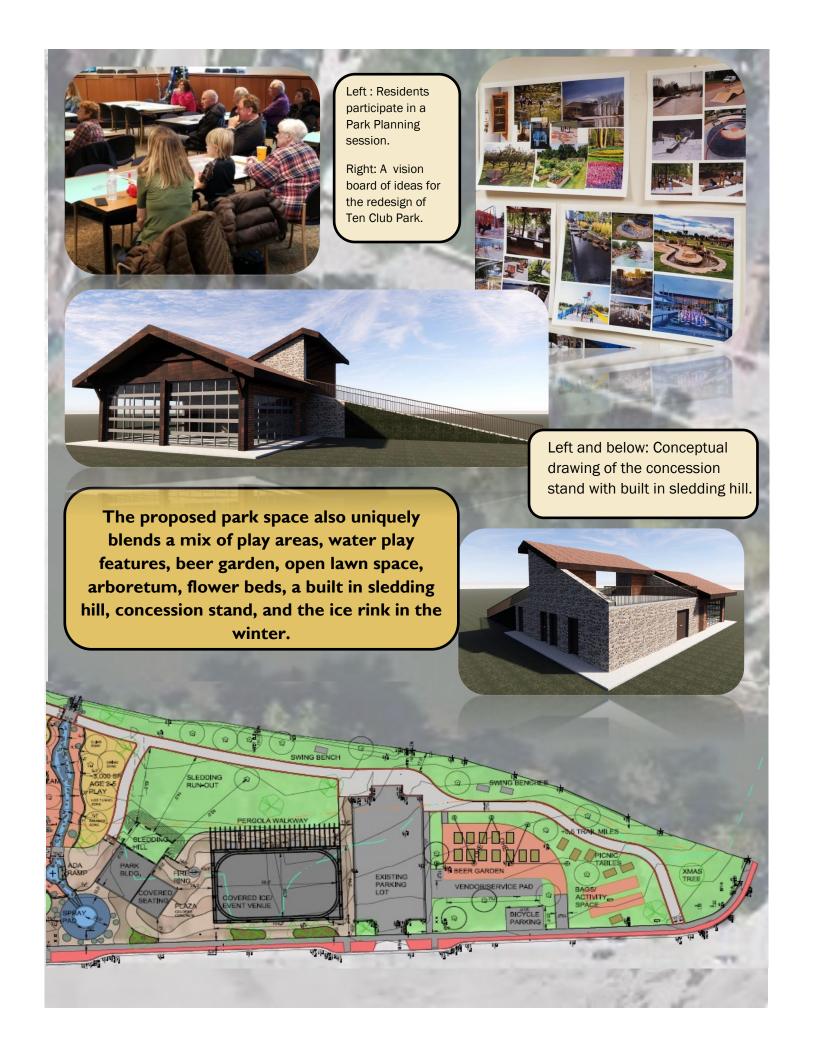
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Utilities & Street SupervisorRick Huening - 262- 534-1862
Parks and Facilities Supervisor—
Mike Sponholtz—262-534-1861
Utility Clerk—Jennifer
Pankowski—262 534-2760

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Proposed Ten Club Park Improvements







10 things you can do to manage your COVID-19 symptoms at home

Accessible Version: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html

If you have possible or confirmed COVID-19:

1. Stay home from work and school. And stay away from other public places. If you must go out, avoid using any kind of public transportation, ridesharing, or taxis.



 Cover your cough and sneezes with a tissue or use the inside of your elbow.



2. Monitor your symptoms carefully. If your symptoms get worse, call your healthcare provider immediately.



7. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.



Get rest and stay hydrated.



8. As much as possible, stay in a specific room and away from other people in your home. Also, you should use a separate bathroom, if available. If you need to be around other people in or outside of the home, wear a mask.



4. If you have a medical appointment, call the healthcare provider ahead of time and tell them that you have or may have COVID-19.



9. Avoid sharing personal items with other people in your household, like dishes, towels, and bedding.



 For medical emergencies, call 911 and notify the dispatch personnel that you have or may have COVID-19.



10. Clean all surfaces that are touched often, like counters, tabletops, and doorknobs. Use household cleaning sprays or wipes according to the label instructions.









Covid-19 Updates

Over the past nine months, Central Racine County Health Department (CRCHD) has tirelessly addressed the COVID-19 pandemic by performing disease investigation, contact tracing, outbreak investigations, and risk communication as well as by supporting Wisconsin National Guard testing and implementing vaccination planning. Through collaboration with healthcare, schools, businesses, long-term care facilities, government and other partners, CRCHD has worked to prevent disease and death while concurrently promoting safe public health measures for our community. We thank the public for doing your part to help slow the spread of disease, especially in light of the fact that Racine County has been among one of the hardest hit counties in Wisconsin. Wearing face coverings outside your home, maintaining physical distance, not holding or attending gatherings, staying home if sick or quarantined, and practicing good hygiene will help us continue to make strides in containing the virus and protecting our fellow community members. We also ask that everyone get vaccinated when vaccines become available to the general public in 2021. As the pandemic and the response continuously evolve, for the latest information and data go to the CRCHD website at http://crchd.com/covid-19.

KEY TIMES to Clean and Disinfect Your Home



This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, counter-tops, handles desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.

🗸 If someone in the home is sick

If someone in the home is sick, after they touch additional surfaces that someone else in the home may touch, like bathroom surfaces, utensils, light switches, etc.



Keep cleaning supplies out of the reach of children.

Clean: Use soap and water to clean dirty surfaces, prior to disinfection. **Then, disinfect:** apply disinfectant to surface, most of the common EPA registered household disinfectants work.



cdc.gov/coronavirus

Early Childhood

Little Bookworms *

Thursdays at 9:30 am – January 7; February 11; March 4

This program is for children 4 and under with their caregivers. Sign language, stories, finger plays, and songs are included in the 25 minute session. Registration is required.

Preschool Dance Parties with Ms. Amy* Snowman Dance Party - Monday, January 25 at 9:30 am Spring Dance Party - Monday, March 22 at 9:30 am

Ms. Amy from Munchkins in Motion will host these themed dance parties, geared for toddlers and preschool-age children. Get ready for 30 minutes of music, movement, and guaranteed fun!

Registration is required.

Storytime Yoga

Mondays, January 11, February 15 & March 8 at 9:30 am

Join us for this fun combination of stories and yoga movements. This 30-minute session will include books, creative movements, and interactive music. No registration required. Appropriate for ages 5 and under. Registration is required.

Storytime To Go

Available during the library's open hours



These grab-and-go style kits are available on a range of topics to anyone with a library card. Each kit includes two books, music, and a craft, game or activity planned around a theme. A storytime plan is included to allow

parents and caregivers to offer this storytime experience at home. As topics change frequently, ask at the information desk for available topics or call to request a kit for curbside pickup.

Family Film Fun Kits

Available during the library's open hours

These grab-and-go style kits are available for families to check out with a library card. Each kit includes a movie, music, microwave popcorn, and games, activities or crafts that add to the fun of a movie night at home! A movie night plan is included with suggestions and directions for

parents and caregivers to offer a fun movie night experience. As movie titles change frequently, ask at the information desk for available movie titles or call to request a kit for curbside pickup.

Craft Kits

Available during the library's open hours

Each week the directions and supplies for a new craft kit, geared for preschool and early elementary -aged children are available for checkout with a library card. Children are invited to make and keep the craft, and return the bag with the leftover supplies to the library.

School-Age

Read to Therapy Dogs!

Read to Casey and Maggie*

Tuesdays, January 19, February 16, and March 16 from 5:00-6:00 pm

Casey a calm and gentle Golden Retriever who is great with kids, and loves to listen to kids read! Maggie is our newly-trained therapy dog, and she's Casey's daughter! Individual children and/or families can sign up for one 15-minute block of time for either dog. The sign-up sheet is in the children's area.

Read to Piper*

Saturday, January 23 from 10:00-11:00 am

Piper loves to come to the library and listen to kids read! Individual children and/or families can sign up for one 15-minute block of time. The sign-up sheet is in the children's area.

Read to Tammy* Wednesday, March 24 from 10:0011:00am

Tammy is excited to join us over Spring Break and listen to kids read! Individual children and/or families can sign up for one 15-minute block of time. The sign-up sheet is in the children's area.

25 Piece Lego Challenge To-Go Monday, January 4

Stop in to pick up this challenge kit geared for elementary-aged students through young teens. Kit will include 25 Lego pieces along with directions on completing the challenge. A library card is not needed for pickup and nothing will need to be returned to the library.

I Love Dragons!

Monday, February 8

Sign up for a time to read to Mushu, the library's bearded dragon, and pick up a dragon project to do at home! Available while supplies last.

STEAM Grab & Go

Fridays, January 15, February 19, and March 19
Each month, a new STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) challenge is offered to elementary-aged children in a grab-and-go style program. Kits can be picked up in person or curbside on the above dates. Each kit contains directions and all of the supplies needed to complete the challenge. Kits are limited and available on a first-come-first-served basis.

Read to a Dragon

Thursday, March 25 from 10:00 - 11:00 am Sign up to read to Mushu, the library's bearded dragon. Individual children and/or families can sign up for a 15-minute block of time. The sign-up sheet is in the children's area.

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FAMILY MOVIE

Read and Discover Kits Available during the library's open hours

These kits are located in the children's area of the library near the parenting materials. They are geared for students in elementary school and include several

books along with materials to complete a project that allows for hands-on learning about a variety of topics. Kit topics change frequently. Ask at the information desk for currently available topics or call to request a kit for curbside pickup.



Tweens & Teens

Tween Take-it Toolbox

Fridays, January 15, February 19, & March 19 Offered in a take-home style, 9-12 year-olds will be given their own "toolbox" of materials and how-to instructions for a project to do at home. While supplies last.

Teen Winter Stress Relief Kit Friday, January 15

Teens ages 13 & up can take home one of these stress relief kits, which includes a simple DIY stress relief tool and other goodies to enhance calm. While supplies last.

Teen Blind Date with a Book February 8 - 13

The perfect at-home Valentine date! Stop by the library this week to choose from our "blind-date" selection of books to check out. Each book is wrapped up and comes with chocolate candy. You may just find a new favorite author, book, or series! Ages 12 & up.

Teen "Flashback Friday" Kit Friday, March 19

Teens ages 13 & up can take home one of these kits filled with fun, stress-relieving activities from your childhood! Contents will vary and may include coloring, play-doh, friendship bracelets, and more.

While supplies last.

Tween "If You Liked" Book Bundles

Available anytime the library is open

Check out these bundled books based on other popular EZ and Juvenile book series. If you liked offers two suggested books to read that are similar to some of your favorite books. Select a bundle to check out today! Geared for ages 8-12.

<u>Teen Book to Screen Binge Bundles</u> Available anytime the library is open

We've chosen several popular movies and bundled them with their matching book! Choose your favorite genre, check out the bundle, and decide which is better - the book or the movie! Geared for teens and adults.

Library Programs

Teen BookMatch Available anytime

Not sure what to read next? Let us choose for you! Fill out our designated online form and we'll do our best to choose a few books that match your answers. Don't like what we've picked? Simply return the book(s) and feel free to let us know it didn't work for you. Visit the library's website and click on the Tweens & Teens page to find the form.

Teen Volunteer Opportunities

Teens that are interested or in need of completing service hours can call the library or email Julie at jfick@waterford.lib.wi.us to arrange volunteer opportunities.

Adult

Please register in advance for adult classes.
Check our website calendar at www.waterford.lib.wi.us
for more information.

Winter Reading Challenge! December 21- March 21

Do you want to build a snowman? Readers of all ages can earn snowflakes to help build a snowman on the front window of the library. Each time you complete 2 hours of reading, a snowflake will be added to the snowman. This challenge is both on our website or on the Beanstack app.

Yoga at the Library*

Mondays- January 4 & 18, February 1 & 15, and March 1 & 15, 2:00 pm

Yoga instructor, Rachel Juergens, will be bringing the art of yoga and meditation to the Waterford Library. This class will be offered in person or via Facebook Live.

Please sign up prior to attendance.

New Year, New You: CrossFit!* Thursday, January 14 time TBA

2020 was a challenging year for everyone and quarantine made life harder. If you are looking to change things up in 2021, here is the place to start. The New Year, New You classes will be programs based on health and wellness to encourage a happier, healthier 2021. Please sign up for the limited in-person spots or you can watch live via Facebook.

Book Club*

Wednesdays- January 27, February 24, & March 31, 5:30 pm The Book Club will meet digitally via Zoom to discuss books of all genres. Call or stop in to register for your Zoom call information and join the lively group at 5:30 pm. Featured titles are available each month in a variety of formats: Kindle, audiobook, or printed book. January 27, The Authenticity Project by Clare Pooley, February 24, The Cellist of Sarajevo by Steven Galloway, and March 31, The Library Book by Susan Orlean.

Please register in advance for adult classes.

Book Speed Date* Thursday, February 11, 6:00 pm

Are you ready to break up with your favorite author? Tired of reading the same type of book and are looking for a change? Join us at the Waterford Public Library for a Book Speed Date! Get the chance to look at some popular titles from the last and current year that may commit you to a new relationship with a book or author. Please sign up prior to attendance.

Disney Villains Escape Room!*

Thursday, February 25 from 10:00 am-6:00 pm & Friday, February 26 from 10:00 am-3:00 pm Some Disney villains have teamed up against the library! Are you brave enough to try and outsmart them and beat the curse? Registration for time slots is required. Individuals, families, or small

Arm Chair Travel*

groups only, please.

Thursday, March 11 from 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Travel around the world without leaving your seat! Sign up to experience virtual reality with our Oculus Go VR headset. Individuals/families are welcome to sign up for a 15-minute slot to experience visually appealing landmarks, rollercoasters, and more. Registration required and can be done by calling or visiting the library.

Recipe Club: Around the World Cuisine* Monday, March 22, 6:00 pm

Are you constantly on the hunt for a new recipe that will wow your taste buds? Is your Pinterest page full of recipes you can't wait to try? Then this is the club for you! Make a serving of your recipe of choice, sample a variety of recipes made by others, and take home a copy of the recipes you like!

The Library Board would like to acknowledge and thank the follow-

ing individuals and organizations. Their generous contributions give the Library Board the means to enhance collections, offer entertainment, and make building improvements beyond what the operating budget allows.

- ♦ Friends of the Waterford Public Library
- ♦ Anonymous—Donation boxes
- ♦ Greater Milwaukee Foundation
- Dan and Sheila Vander Sanden Family Foundation Fund

Memory Bricks

Homer Paola Edstrom by Catherine Edstrom

In Memorty of Captain Rhett Schiller

♦ Sherry Horton



From the Executive Director's Desk:

Whew! 2020 is DONE! Despite being quarantined for the majority of the year, Waterford did not stay completely closed, and we are so thankful for all the businesses and volunteers who helped with the events that gave life and a sense of normalcy to a few days during that time. Volunteers were AWESOME and enabled us (Explore Waterford) to accomplish many things. Thank you to all of you who helped make the following events possible: The Orange Barrel Bash, River's Edge Wine Walk, Business Trick or Treating, Ice Sculpting, Winter Wonderland Christmas Parade and Dueling Pianos.

Welcome to 2021. We hope you experience a better year full of open doors, fun gatherings, and big crowds. We don't know what the year holds, but we trust everyone will soon be able to shed the masks permanently and get back to living life without fear. We are very excited for what this year will bring.

Explore Waterford is always looking for new volunteers, exciting ideas, and creative events for the residents and businesses of Waterford. Please call our office if you would like to be part of an organization that is making a difference. We want YOU! 262-534-5911

Stay tuned for information on the following events:

- -Business after 5 events January and February
- -Gun Raffle March 27th
- -Moms on Main May
- -Golf Outing June
- -Celebrate Waterford July
- -River's Edge Art & Wine Walk September
- -Business Trick or Treat October
- -Winter Wonderland Christmas Parade and Dueling Pianos – December



Dawn Brummel
Executive Director

The Great Outdoors in Waterford

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TEN CLUB PARK
TICHIGAN LAKE
TUBING
VILLAGE HALL PARK
WADEWITZ NATURE PARK
WHITFORD PARK

